

Notice of Allowability

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 6/29/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 16 renumbered 1.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 06 February 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 16, insert before line 18 ---wherein said cleaning cloth includes one end having a welding portion provides thereon, to form a closed end for said at least one pocket; wherein said cover fabric layer includes a length greater than that of said outer fabric layer to facilitate an engagement of said handle into said at least one pocket of said cleaning cloth; wherein said handle includes a fork having two arms engageable into said at least one pocket of said cleaning cloth; ---

Claim 16, line 22, delete "two pocket" and replace with ---two pockets---

Claim 16, delete lines 23-29

Claim 16, lines 32-35 delete " and the two pockets are separated...end that the two pockets are separated;" and replace with ---and said two pockets are separated at a first end and are connected at a second end; said two pockets are open at said first end and closed at said second end; said two arms of said handle are inserted into said open first end of the said two pockets;---

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

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Claim 16, lines 30-36 state that the cleaning cloth includes a cut portion partially formed between the second welding portions to allow the two pockets to be separated from each other. The two pockets are separated at a first end and are connected at a second end. The pockets are opened at the first end and closed at the second end.

Claim 16, line 14 states that the outer and cover layers are secured together by two welds. Line 18 states there is a second welding portion provided on the outer and cover fabric layers and arranged between the welding portions to separate the one pocket into two pockets.

Claim 16, line 21-22 states that the cleaning cloth includes a fiber coupled between the two cleaning pockets to breakably couple the two pockets together.

O'Brien ('450) teaches a cleaning cloth with two pockets that are separated at one end, however the pockets are separated at the end opposite the applicant's separation. O'Brien also teaches two pockets however both pockets have open ends so that the handle can extend completely through the pockets.

Tanaka ('074 and '801) teaches a cleaning cloth however fails to teach that the two pockets are separated at a first end and that the pockets are connected and closed at a second end. The handle of Tanaka extends completely through the two pockets.

Hayden ('725) teaches a cleaning cloth comprising a single pocket that is open at both ends to allow the handle to extend completely through the cloth.

None of the references teach all the elements of the claimed invention nor would it have been obvious to modify the references to achieve the claimed invention.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shay L. Balsis whose telephone number is 571-272-1268. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-5:00 M-Th, alternating F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Kim can be reached on 571-272-1142. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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